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Thomas P. Jacobus, General Manager Washington Aqueduct U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, Baltimore District 5900 MacArthur Boulevard, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20016-2515

Re: CWA-03-2003-0136DN, Federal Facility Compliance Agreement (FFCA) Completion and Termination

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Dear Mr. Jacobus:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received your letter dated September 27, 2012 providing notification that the Washington Aqueduct has completed all elements of the compliance program as described in paragraphs 10 through 29 of the subject FFCA.

The EPA agrees that the Washington Aqueduct has completed all elements of the compliance program described in the FFCA. Completion of the residuals processing facility marks an important milestone in the operation of the Washington Aqueduct and for the Potomac River. Operation of the residuals management program will keep thousands of tons of sediment and other materials out of the Potomac River each year. We recognize the challenges that you faced and congratulate the Washington Aqueduct's resolute efforts to work with all stakeholders, to select an alternative that achieves environmental results while accommodating the needs of the community, to construct a facility that blends with the surrounding area, and to bring this significant project to completion. We look forward to continuing to work with you.

In accordance with paragraph 63, the EPA agrees the Washington Aqueduct has fulfilled its obligations and hereby terminates the subject FFCA.

Sincerely,

Jön M. Capacasa, Director Water Protection Division

cc: Mr. Kevin Brandt, National Park Service

Mr. Doug Curtis, National Park Service

Ms. Genevieve LaRouche, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

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